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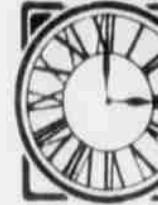
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WANT OIL PRICE FIXED BY LAW

Healdton Producers Put Question of Authority up to Corporation Commission

SUGGEST 55c MINIMUM

Petition Filed and Hearing Requested for Oct. 25—Little Fellows Interested

PETITION by W. B. Johnson, attorney representing oil producers in the Healdton field, which asks the corporation commission to proceed under section two of the conservation of oil law, relative to the fixing of a minimum price for which oil shall be purchased, was today filed with the commission by the attorney general, who will act for the state in the matter. Request was made that the case be set for hearing October 25, but as two of the members of the commission are absent from the city now the time cannot be announced until they return. However, the hearing will probably be held about the latter part of the month.

The complaint is directed against the Corsicana Petroleum company, and all others producing oil in the field. It is recited that the production of the field is now about 80,000 barrels a day, and that this amount is greatly in excess of transportation and marketing facilities, consequently causing an economic waste. The petition was drawn immediately after the price was advanced to 35 cents in the field, but before it was later increased to 40 cents. The claim is made that the minimum should not be less than 55 cents a barrel, and the commission will be asked to make it this price or some equitable amount.

The petition states that producers who are able to do so are storing their oil, and there are a number doing it. This aggravates the situation as to the small producer, who is unable to build storage facilities. It works to his hardship, and therefore the situation is unequal, and the burden falls on the small producer who is risking all he has in the business. That this condition is unfair, is contended, and the commission is recognized as the tribunal through which relief is sought.

The question to be gone into by the commission, under the complaint in this case, will entail no little investigation, but it will help decide the question that has not finally been passed upon, and that is, has the commission authority to fix the price on oil.

PRISONERS TAKE COLLEGE COURSES

U. of California Enrolls 14 Inmates of Folsom Penitentiary—Benefit of Entire Curriculum Open to Convicts

BERKELEY, Calif., Oct. 15.—Fourteen inmates of the Folsom state prison, the University of California announced today, have enrolled in a new correspondence course for instruction as teachers. With the establishment of the normal course the inmates of the two state prisons have the benefit for a complete curriculum from primary instruction to full university training. At Folsom 520 prisoners are taking the university's correspondence courses.

HIS FAD, POLITICAL ECONOMY

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 15.—The will of Premier Eyschen, of Luxembourg, who died Tuesday, bequeathed his entire fortune to the state to promote education in political economy.

SING SING BANK BROKE IN HURRY

Savings Bank Scheme Among Prisoners Hits Rocks After Five Days' Trial

OSSINING, N. Y., Oct. 15.—The Sing Sing prison savings bank has suspended payment after an existence of five days and today the prisoners are mourning the loss of the "token money" they had deposited.

An excess of loans without security followed by unsuccessful gambling by the borrowers wrecked the bank. The plan of using "token money" in the prison was put into effect last Friday and each prisoner was paid \$2 for two days' work on Saturday. Finanders among the convicts promptly started a savings bank and many prisoners deposited their savings.

Warden Osborne notified the prisoners Tuesday morning that they must pay forty cents a day to the "tokens" for their board. There was a run on the prison bank, which revealed the fact that its funds had been dissipated by bad loans. The warden ordered the bank dissolved.

A depositors' committee has been appointed to save all possible from the assets and the Mutual Welfare League is expected to put the bank's officers on trial for malfeasance.

"Take Back Your Jewels," Writes Duke to a King

PARIS, Oct. 15.—The Duke of Orleans addressed a letter to King Ferdinand of Bulgaria several days ago requesting the monarch to take back jewels of Bulgarian orders which had been bestowed upon him, but the letter was to be published only on the day Bulgaria entered the war. In his communication the Duke said, "I tell your majesty to take back the jewels. I cannot send them, but your majesty has only to apply to his ally who has occupied my chateau in Belgium and for whom my safe can have no secret."

Your majesty will understand I am obliged to warn your majesty the day he takes up arms against my country France—his name will be struck from the chapter of Knights of the Holy Spirit. I do not ask your majesty to send back the jewels of the Order of the Holy Spirit, but wish that these souvenirs of the France he has betrayed shall keep alive her perpetual remorse."

BOOK 400 YEARS OLD

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—Literary association at the University of Chicago Thursday unearthed in one of the store rooms of the institution a book said to be more than 400 years old.

BUILDING HERE AT HIGH MARK

Permits to \$19,000 Issued Thursday—Can't Finish Homes Fast Enough

EAST and furious is the pace with which the building record is leaping skyward. That the value of October permits taken out at the office of the city building inspector will surpass by a comfortable margin the exceptionally high pre-monthly estimate made at the beginning of the month was the belief of James Anderson, building commissioner, following the record of Thursday.

As a fitting climax to the big day's business Thursday, permits for \$16,000 were taken out by the firm of Stewart and Wiederson, representing five residences which have already been started. Three of these homes will cost \$5,000 each. All are located in the residence district in the north side of the city. With Friday morning's permits, the total for October to date falls only a few dollars short of the \$400,000 mark. The Ford permit for the new assembling plant comprises the greater part of this.

"This is merely a drop in the bucket," declared A. F. Stewart, while signing the permits issued to him. The building permits for this month may be high, but they will be surpassed every month next year. While we are working overtime now putting up homes, every real estate and building company in the city is only making a start. The homes we are building for \$5,000 now we will be building for double that amount next year. I have studied and watched the growth and development of this city for years, and it is my firm conviction that I never saw it more active than it is now, and it is my equally firm conviction that business is just beginning to be good here, and that the next few months will give Oklahoma City a nationwide business prominence that the city never enjoyed even in its palmiest days."

COUNTY GETS MARTHA WASHINGTON'S WILL

J. P. Morgan Surrendered Precious Document to State and Governor in Turn Commits it to Fairfax County

RICHMOND, Va., Oct. 15.—Governor Stuart has ordered that the will of Martha Washington, recently returned to the state by J. Pierpont Morgan, be given into the custody of Fairfax county, from which it was stolen in the war between the states. Mr. Morgan returned the will requesting that it be placed in Mount Vernon and offered to build for it a fireproof receptacle.

HIGHWAY FROM MAINE TO GULF OF MEXICO

BLUEFIELDS, W. Va., Oct. 15.—Delegates from nine southern states are attending the convention of Southern Appalachian Good Roads Association now in session here. It is expected the convention will endorse a project to build a highway extending from Maine to the Gulf of Mexico through the Appalachian mountains.

DIP CATTLE TWICE

Beginning Nov. 1 Ruminants Entering State From South Must Be Subjected to Tick Prevention Process

Beginning November 1, cattle coming into the state from the south, or quarantine territory, must be dipped twice before crossing the line into Oklahoma, under rules of the board of agriculture which will go into effect at that time. The new rule is calculated to prevent other than strictly clean cattle coming into the state.

SHOOTING OVER PRIMARY VOTE

Five Men Killed or Wounded at Charleston, S. C.—Reporter One of Them

VIOLATE BALLOT BOXES

Anticipated Violence Occurs At Opening of Re-count—Militia Called Again

BULLETIN

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 15.— Sidney J. Cohen, a newspaper reporter, was killed and four men shot in a fight that started here today just outside the room where the Democratic city executive committee was meeting to canvass the returns of the municipal primary last Tuesday.

Later the governor called for three companies of the South Carolina militia under command of the adjutant general to assemble in their armories and await evolutions in Charleston.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 15.— Three men were shot shortly after noon today in the room of the city Democratic executive committee, where the contests over the majority primary of Tuesday was being heard.

The victims were said to be Sidney Cohen, reporter for the Charleston Post; Joseph Black of the Democratic state committee, a man named Wintage. Cohen and Black are reported to have been killed, but hospital authorities refused to confirm the report.

The shooting occurred at the moment set for calling the meeting of the executive committee to order, according to reports, and the boxes containing the ballots cast in Tuesday's primary, which were to be canvassed by the committee, were thrown into the street. Great confusion followed and excitement in the city is intense.

When Governor Manning received notice of the shooting in the Democratic executive committee's headquarters in Charleston, he ordered under arms the Washington Light Infantry of the city, and placed General E. M. Rhyne of Greenville, in charge of the state militia during the absence of Adjutant General Moore.

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STRIKE NIPPED IN BUD

CLEVELAND, Oct. 15.—Strike agitation among 1,000 employees of the F. B. Stearns company's automobile plant was stilled Thursday night when it was announced that beginning Friday they will receive ten hours' pay for eight hours' work.

LARGEST SINGLE LUMBER ORDER

Italy Contracts For 51 Million Feet of American Yellow Pine

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Demand for reprisals upon Germany is being heard from nearly every class. Sir A. Conan Doyle, the author, writes advocating the stationing of a small squadron of British aeroplanes in eastern France ready to make three similar raids on German towns for every raid made on an open town in Great Britain.

ITALY CONTRACTS FOR 51 MILLION FEET OF AMERICAN YELLOW PINE

SAVANNAH, Ga., Oct. 15.—The Italian government has placed an order through a New York and a Georgia lumber company for 51,000,000 feet of lumber, chiefly yellow pine, according to an announcement Friday in the Southern Lumber Journal, of this city, which terms it the largest single order ever placed in the United States. The lumber is expected to come chiefly from Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Missouri, and Oklahoma.

THAT NEW HAVEN JURY

Attorneys Engaged in Prosecution of Railroad Directors Proceed Slowly

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Twelve tentative jurors, selected Thursday in the trial of William Rockefeller and ten other directors, past and present of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, charged with conspiracy under the Sherman law, took their seats in the jury box when court opened Friday to await peremptory challenges of counsel.

CANADIAN PENSION FUND

OTTAWA, Ont., Oct. 15.—A campaign to raise \$7,500,000 for the Canadian pension fund had been inaugurated it was announced Thursday night. The fund is being used to support wives and families of Canadians fighting at the front.

THE WEATHER

Cloudy andunsettled tonight and Saturday with probably rain early tonight. A low pressure area will move across the southwest across mountains and has caused scattered showers and thunderstorms in western Kansas, western Texas and New Mexico. The rainfall was quite heavy in western Colorado and the Rockies. The cold air will move eastward through the central states and northwestern mountains. Temperatures have fallen in the north-

RIVER Busting.

The South Colorado River is rising in western and southern Colorado during the next thirty six hours and will be at a point of heavy rain in the Texas Panhandle and the northern Canadian will also rise in western Okla-

homa.

Violate Ballot Boxes

Great Loss and Small Gain Moves British to Notion of Withdrawing

USE TROOPS ELSEWHERE

Figures Given Tell Meager Part of What Gallipoli Campaign Has Cost

FIRE IN COTTON EXCHANGE

GALVESTON, Tex., Oct. 15.—Fire which broke out early today on the second floor of the Cotton Exchange building here caused damage of between \$4,000 and \$5,000 to offices of steamship agencies.

STUDENTS' BANK

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Oct. 15.—A bank to be managed by students to be opened at Wesleyan University.

It was announced here Friday, as an experiment by the American Bankers' Association.

ANNOUNCEMENT of the great losses of the British forces at the Dardanelles followed the sensational speech in the house of commons night of Lord Milner who is said to have characterized the expedition as hopeless. He suggested withdrawal of the troops from Gallipoli peninsula and their transfer to some other front. Lord Lansdowne responded for the government that it was impossible to give any assurance that the troops would continue in the Dardanelles operations or would be withdrawn.

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SEN. VARDAMAN A VISITOR HERE

Democrat Party Is Growing Stronger, Says Famous Mississippian

UNITED States Senator James K.

Vardaman of Jackson, Miss., was an Oklahoma City visitor Thursday for a few hours. He has been filling in various sections of the country and arrived here Friday morning from Weatherford, where he spoke Thursday night at the State Normal school. He left at 2:30 Friday afternoon on the Frisco for Washington, D. C.

When asked to make a statement regarding the political situation, the senator condescended nothing beyond a terse and sanguine: "The Democratic party is growing stronger every day."

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NEUTRAL BUT TAKES GOOD ENGLISH MONEY

Greek Government Despite Protestation of Innocence Said to Have Accepted \$6,000,000 from London

MILAN, Oct. 15.—The Greek government is co-operating with the quadruple entente by keeping its army mobilized and by this action alone warding off a possible Bulgarian attack on the base of operations of the expeditionary force. An Athens dispatch to the Corriere della Sera says that in exchange for this assistance the entente will furnish Greece funds for keeping up its armaments and that the National bank of Greece already has received a credit of \$6,000,000 from London and Paris.

A crowd gathered at the railway station here last night to bid Mr. Edison farewell.

"I feel like a prince," said the inventor, donning a few steps to prove it. "I'm going to travel to San Francisco like a prima donna," he added, as he looks over the private car in which the parts will make the journey. "My old friend Henry Ford sent the car for me. He will join us in Chicago."

As Mr. Edison was about to board the train, a crowd of young women gathered about him and some insisted on kissing him good bye.

PRES. SMILES AT RENOMINATION

Wilson Accepts Proffer of Use of Summer Home in New Jersey

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—President Wilson Friday declined to spend next summer in New Jersey in the former home of John A. McCall at Alberon, near Long Branch. The estate, on which stands a magnificent house, is known as Shadow Lawn. The president was offered the free use of Shadow Lawn by a committee headed by Representative Scully, which brought a letter from Governor Fielder. He insisted, however, that he should pay rent and said that if the committee pleased, it could give the money to charity.